

DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE BILL ANALYSIS

AMENDMENT DATE: June 4, 2008
POSITION: Oppose
SPONSOR: Assembly Member Karnett

BILL NUMBER: AB 2843
AUTHOR: B. Karnette

BILL SUMMARY: After School Programs: Educational Enrichment

This bill would authorize an after-school program to include foreign languages in its educational enrichment component. The After School Education and Safety (ASES) Program was enacted in 2002 by Proposition 49. Currently, \$550 million is provided through a continuous appropriation. Grantees may operate a before-school component, an after-school component, or both before- and after-school components. Current law requires ASES programs to provide two elements: (1) an educational and literacy element which provides tutoring or homework assistance in one or more specified subject areas; and (2) an educational enrichment element that may include, but not be limited to, fine arts, career technical education, recreation, physical fitness, and prevention activities. This bill would also change the term "fine arts" to "visual and performing arts".

FISCAL SUMMARY

According to the Department of Education, this bill would not result in additional costs to the extent that ASES programs currently have the option of including foreign languages in their enrichment component.

SUMMARY OF CHANGES

Amendments to this bill since our analysis of the April 3, 2008 version are minor and do not alter our position.

COMMENTS

The Department of Finance is opposed to this bill because it is unnecessary. There is nothing to preclude ASES grantees from incorporating foreign language activities in their programs.

Code/Department Agency or Revenue Type	SO	(Fiscal Impact by Fiscal Year)							
	LA	(Dollars in Thousands)							
	CO	PROP							Fund
	RV	98	FC	2007-2008	FC	2008-2009	FC	2009-2010	Code
6110/Dept of Educ	LA	No	-----	No/Minor	Fiscal Impact	-----			0001

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